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INVENTOR(S) : Shenoy *et al.*

It is certified that error appears in the above-identified patent and that said Letters Patent is hereby corrected as shown below:

Col. 2, Line 32, replace "alterative" with —alternative—.

Col. 3, Line 50, replace "enables" with —enable—.

Col. 4, Line 4, replace "embodiments" with —environments—.

Col. 5, Line 62, replace "difference" with —differences—.

Col. 8, Line 14 replace "in the relevant" with —in relevant—.

Col. 12, Line 38 replace "circuits of said another" with —circuits or said another—.

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**UNDER 35 USC § 254 and 37 C.F.R. 1.322**

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Cisco Technology Inc, the Assignee of the above-identified patent, through its attorney, hereby petitions for issuance of a Certificate of Correction in the above-identified patent.

A Certificate of Correction (PTO form PTO/SB/44 - 1 page) is enclosed. The Certificate of Correction is required to correct errors noted in the form.

It is believed the errors occurred through the fault of the Patent Office. Thus, this Certificate of Correction should be issued without charge to Applicants.

Respectfully submitted,

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2. Petition for Certificate of Correction Under 35 USC § 254 and 37 C.F.R. 1.322 (01 Pages); and
3. PTO form PTO/SB/44 (01 Page).

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